

Docket No.: 20164 (C38435/109730)

PATENT



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
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EXAMINING GROUP 1616

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : )  
Monika JOHANNSEN )  
Serial No.: 09/335,022 )  
Filed: June 17, 1999 )  
For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING** )  
**VITAMIN D<sub>3</sub> AND PREVITAMIN D<sub>3</sub>** )

Examiner: S. Qazi  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING  
AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Box AF  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The time for response to the Office Action of May 3, 2000 expired on August 3, 2000. A two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. With this extension, the due date for reply to the Office Action will be October 3, 2000. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$390.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time. Please charge any required extension-of-time fees not otherwise paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.